

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SHUM, TH  
SUBJECT: CGRS CASE STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION

REF: BANGKOK 16821

1. MEMBER OF COORDINATING GROUP FOR RELIGION IN SOCIETY (CGRS) INFORMED EMBOFF JUNE 16 THAT POLICE ARE CONTINUING TO INVESTIGATE CASE OF THREE CGRS WORKERS ARRESTED IN SOUTHERN THAILAND LAST FEBRUARY ON SUSPICION OF SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY. SOURCE SAID THAT PENDING RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF JUNE, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE WILL DETERMINE IF THERE IS SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO SEEK PROSECUTION. IF SUSPECTS ARE CHARGED, TRIAL WILL BE HELD IN MILITARY COURT AT NAKHON SI THAMMARAT (REFTEL).

2. CGRS IN BANGKOK NOW BELIEVES COMMUNIST ACTIVITY CHARGE WILL BE DROPPED AND THAT TWO OF THE THREE SUSPECTS WILL BE CLEARED COMPLETELY. HOWEVER, THE THIRD SUSPECT, SUKHON TANTHAKEYOON, IS LIKELY TO BE CHARGED WITH TRANSPORTING EXCESSIVE AMOUNTS OF MEDICINE IN AN "INSURGENCY INFESTED" AREA. A SOURCE IN THE DEFENSE MINISTRY'S OFFICE OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL CONFIRMED THAT SUCH AN OUTCOME IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY.

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THE PENALTY FOR SUCH AN OFFENCE IS NORMALLY A FINE, SOMETIMES COUPLED WITH A LIGHT JAIL SENTENCE. AT PRESENT ALL THREE ARE OUT ON BAIL.  
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